

## **GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

## **MEDIA ALERT**

For Immediate Release Friday, August 12, 2011

Kimberly Larson (706) 646-6938

MONROE COUNTY...

## LANE CLOSURES ON 1-75 SOUTHBOUND FOR RESTRIPPING AND JOINT SEALING

WHEN: Various times, Monday, August 15 through Saturday, August 20

WHERE: I-75 southbound between mile marker 178 (north of Exit 177; I-475) and mile marker

172 (Exit 172; Bass Road)

**WHAT:** The Georgia DOT has been notified of scheduled lane closures on I-75 southbound.

Daily, 10 a.m. until 2:30 p.m., Monday, August 15 through Thursday, August 18: GDOT Maintenance crews will install a daily single lane closure for joint sealing on I-75 southbound between mile markers 175 - 172.

Nightly, 9 p.m. until 5 a.m., Monday, August 15 through Saturday, August 20: Contractors for GDOT will install a <u>double lane</u> closure in order to remove the existing stripping and replacing it with new stripping between mile markers 178–177.

It is important for motorists to use caution when traveling through a work zone. Signs will be posted alerting drivers of the work zone area. Please note that speed limits have been reduced and fines are doubled for speeding in a work zone.

Motorists can access real-time, statewide, route-specific information on accidents, road work, traffic and weather conditions through **Georgia 511** - a free phone, web, and mobile service. By dialing 511, callers also can transfer to operators 24 hours a day to report incidents or request assistance. The system can be used to access transit providers, major airports, rideshare organizations, tourism information and 511 systems in surrounding states. Additionally, 511 is available online or as a hybrid solution via a free download for your smart phone. Georgia DOT partners with sponsors for assistance in funding 511, preserving tax dollars and helping sustain critical services. For more information about 511, its mobile application download, or to learn how to become a sponsor, visit www.511ga.org.